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An open letter to the xenoanthropology magazine

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I have noticed many of my fellow readers tend dramatise the traits of newly emerged species, there are many examples of such behaviour, but i'll focus on the most recent, the inhabitants of the Sol system.

First I want to address the subject of the home planet. Humans as they call themselves originate on the third planet in their system, one that they call "The Earth". This Earth is often labelled a "Death world", this simply untrue. Planet Earth has a variety of climates most of which are quite comfortable to their human inhabitants. Earth's gravity is on the low side of the galactic average in terms of hospitable planets.

Then on to the topic of humans supposed supreme strength, and here I must apologise to the human friends i have made, but humans are actually quite weak, both on a galactic standard, but also compared to most creatures of similar mass on their own planet. Humans are not indestructible either. Though they happen to be some of the more resilient species on the galactic stage, they are still fully capable of breaking bones and getting cuts.

I do not wish of any of my fellow anthropology enthusiasts to assume that I dislike humans however. I simply want the community to appreciate the actual quality that any species possess, and not the myths told about them. So to compensate for the thrashing I've given I'll give you some examples about the beauties and quirks of humanity

They had some of the broadest cultural diversity of any development species I've encountered in my work, honestly not even the grand banquet halls of the galactic commons HQ could hold even half of the fine cuisine that humanity can offer

They are incredibly inventive, so much that they have a nasty habit of their genius creating issues for them self. During the 21 century of their own calendar they had massive issues with global warming, they were effectively turning their beautiful blue gemstone into a desolate hell world that many of you readers seem to think it is today. And after great difficulty and strife they managed to halt such deterioration and are still to this day working on restoring the biodiversity. This may seem a flaw but I'll remind you that many species of a comparable industrial capacity have home-worlds choked in ash and soot.

But the most wonderful thing about humanity is that despite the long history of xenophobia and bloody wars they manage to be exceptionally welcoming and kind. My dear friends In the human panAfrican federation showed me nothing but kindness and showed me that many humans have an innate desire to pet and cuddle anything fuzzy and fluffy they see. Being a member of the Dsukoy i happen to have fluff and fuzz in plenty, so the humas showed me the same affection I might expect from my own species.

I want to finish my rambling letter with a plea. Please see new species for what they are. For what they can be. Not from the scary stories you get told by inebriated cargo haulers.